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In re application of:
GERARD, Gary F.

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Response to Office Action –

Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated **December 21, 2005**, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks. Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper. Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7.

This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;
- (B) Starting on a separate sheet, amendments have been made to the specification by presenting replacement paragraphs marked up to show changes made;
- (C) Starting on a separate sheet, a complete listing of all of the claims:

- in ascending order;
- with status identifiers; and
- with markings in the currently amended claims;

(D) Starting on a separate sheet, the Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.